

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q66676

Toshiaki KUNIYASU, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/973,814

Group Art Unit: 2828

Confirmation No.: 7822

Examiner: James W. DAVIE

Filed: October 11, 2001

For: SEMICONDUCTOR LASER DEVICE WITH A CURRENT NON-INJECTION REGION  
NEAR A RESONATOR END FACE, AND FABRICATION METHOD THEREOF

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 10, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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**EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER**

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Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the  
above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown  
below:

	After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For					
All Claims	18	-	20	=	X	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent	5	-	4	=	1	X	\$86.00	= \$86.00
<b>TOTAL</b>							<b>= \$86.00</b>	

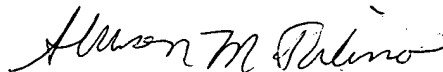
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Excess Claim Fee Payment Letter  
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Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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